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SUBJECT: E AND E: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

1. JUST BEFORE LEAVING WASHINGTON APRIL 22 FOR
TDY HERE, FSO ROBERT A. SENSER RECEIVED URGENT
PHONE CALL FROM WIFE'S RELATIVES IN SAIGON. FAMILY
MEMBERS FEEL THAT UNDER COMMUNIST RULE LIVES WILL BE
ENDANGERED FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. FAMILY WIDELY KNOWN IN SAIGON AS HAVING DAUGHTER
MARRIED TO AMERICAN. SENSER SERVED TWO TOURS AT
EMBASSY AS LABOR ATTACHE, WORKING CLOSELY WITH
VIGOROUSLY ANTI-COMMUNIST LABOR LEADERS, ESPECIALLY
TRAN QUOC BUU. SENSER ALSO SERVED IN CORDS' BOTH AT
MACV HEADQUARTERS AND IN DANANG AS MUNICIPAL SENIOR
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B. SEVERAL FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH
AMERICANS FOR YEARS. BROTHER-IN-LAW, LAI MINH CHAU,
HAS BEEN SENIOR EMPLOYEE OF CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. OTHERS HAVE WORKED FOR U.S.

FORCES IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES.

C. ALL ADULTS IN FAMILY EXCEPT ONE ARE NORTH
VIETNAMESE WHO FLED HANOI IN 1954 BECAUSE MALE HEAD
OF FAMILY WAS A SENIOR CIVIL SERVANT WHO HAD DEFIED
VIET MINH.

2. SINGLY AND TOGETHER, THESE ELEMENTS, IN SENSER'S
VIEW MAKE CASE FOR INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF
WIFE'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY IN ANY EVACUATION OF VIETNAMESE:
PHAM THI NGOC LAN, MOTHER, 66; NGUYEN THI MINH PHUONG,
SISTER, 37; LAI MINH CHAU, HER HUSBAND, 43, AND MINOR
CHILDREN; NGUYEN THI TUONG VAN, SISTER, 31; LUU QUANG,
HER HUSBAND, 34, AND MINOR CHILDREN; NGUYEN QUOC KHOA,
BROTHER, 25; NGUYEN THI SONG HA, SISTER, 28, AND HER
HUSBAND, NGUYEN HUU PHUOC, 30, AND MINOR CHILDREN;
NGUYEN THI MINH TAM, SISTER, 39, AND THAN TRONG LAN,
BROTHER-IN-LAW, 45, AND MINOR CHILDREN.

3. I-134 AFFIDAVIT FORMS POUCHED FOR FAMILY MEMBERS,
ONE SET BY SENSER APRIL 14, ANOTHER BY SPECIAL CONSULAR
SERVICES APRIL 21 (SEE STATE 091660 OF APRIL 21). IF
ANY FURTHER DOCUMENTATION NEEDED, PLEASE ADVISE SENSER
C/O EMBASSY PARIS BY SATURDAY OR SUBSEQUENTLY IN
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